

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL



"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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GOD WANTS US TO BE ACTIVE

"Not slothful in Business; Fervent in Spirit; Serving the Lord"

M. W. Letsinger

We are living in a time when we must be active and "move" things or else we will get in the way of others and fail, ourselves.

We can see that the old horse and wagon have become a nuisance to traffic today. Why? Because they are "too slow." Everything is running at a very rapid rate, and when a vehicle gets on the highway that cannot speed with the tide of traffic, then it is in the way and a great hindrance to others. It is the same in the business world; men who would make a success in business must be A-C-T-I-V-E, and not sluggish. We see the active merchant is "out and on the go" early and late, taking only enough time for himself to take food, and enough sleep to give him strength. And, it is the same with the successful farmer; he does not lie in bed until up in the day, but "rises with the birds" and spends his time in the fields—not in sitting around yawning, but in active work, that his crop may grow and flourish.

So I am sure that children of God should be active themselves and be active in His great vineyard. Paul surely had the spirit of it when he said, "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord."

There is so much work to be done and such a few that are willing to do it! We should find something to do for God and His Church each passing day.

First, we should qualify ourselves by reading a portion of His Word.

Second, we should pray and trust in Him to direct our steps in the way that we should go.

Third, we should have faith to believe that He will do whatsoever we ask Him, and should feel assured that we are in the very place that He wants us to be, because His Word tells us that "the steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord." Then, knowing these things as we do, we should be satisfied under any and all circumstances of life and be willing to "do with our might what our hand findeth to do," knowing that "all things work together for good to them that love the Lord." So, we should work and shine where He has placed us.

There is much for any child of God to do.

First, we MUST live a Christian life, and by so doing we show to others that we have been with Christ.

Second, we must be zealous for the Church with ALL Her departments.

Third, we must show to the lost that we love them, and that we are interested in their souls and their eternal welfare.

We should attend church and Sunday School when possible, and be there to do our part, though it may be very small. I heard a brother say once that all the church seemed to have for him to do was to sweep and care for the house, and did not seem to be pleased with his job. He had higher aspirations, and the result was that he failed to get much done. We should do with all our might whatsoever falls to our lot. We should be in a hurry! For I know that we have no time to idle in slothfulness. God surely wants us to be on time; on time at church and Sunday School, on time with our tithes, etc. I have heard folks say, "I have gotten behind with my tithes, but I am keeping count and expect to pay them some time." They do not seem to think that it makes any difference with the Lord, when the Bible plainly tells us to pay our tithes on the first day of the week, and to be "not slothful in business." Oh, how can such folks expect God to open unto them the widows of Heaven and pour out a blessing that will cause their cup to run over? Some will come dragging in to church thirty minutes late (after Sunday School is all over) then seem to think that God should bless them.

One thing I have noticed since childhood days is, that folks who are prompt are the ones God uses to bless others. Many times we have known Sister A to come in at the "eleventh hour" and pretty soon shout all over the house, which amused us. But it was not the inspiration to us that Brother B's face was who had gotten there on time, with a smile and a word of comfort and encouragement to those that were present for Sunday School, and the beginning of the ser-

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Good News From The Islands

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (April 18)—I want to sound a note of praise to the Lord for the way He is blessing souls over on the island. I have been over to Nassau attending a convention. We were over there six days, and those were happy days spent over there, enjoying the sweet fellowship of God's people. Thirteen souls professed to receive the blessing. The Lord is doing a great work over there thru our Brother W. V. Eneas. He is a great man of God. I shall never forget the happy hours we spent together over there. A goodly number were there from America. Brother Leo Cooper, Brother David LaFleur, Bro. J. H. Curry, Brother Roberts from Miami and also Brother S. W. Latimer, were over there. We hope to visit them again if the Lord tarries. God bless the dear people on the island is my prayer.—C. F. Bright, 2346 Dennis St., Jacksonville, Fla.

God Was With Us All The Way

PETERSBURG, W. Va.—As we agreed to write to the Evangel before we left school, I will try to be among the first. We stayed in Cleveland until all the students were gone, but we finally got started about 10:30 Monday morning for West Virginia. We saw some very beautiful country on the way, especially the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia. We didn't take time to stop and see the caverns but I'm sure they would have been worth while to have seen. We arrived in Winchester on the third day after leaving Cleveland. Had one puncture. Brother Cupp took us to his father's home where a welcome awaited us and where I felt more like being at home than anywhere I have been in a long time. The Christian people there allowed us to have their church where Brother Brown surely did some preaching for three nights.

We came to on Petersburg where Brother Brown left us. We surely found some loyal people here, with Brother J. M. Kile, pastor. My, how they pray and the fire falls! Brother Cupp is doing most of the preaching and he surely is anointed of the Lord. He is not like some I have seen, the more you stay with him the better you will love him. It looks like the battle is hard here now, but we are still holding on to God and believe He will give us victory.—Pray much for us.—T. L. Willix.

Healed of Flu And Pneumonia

KENDRICK, Fla.—I want to praise the Lord this blessed morning for healing me. I was sick with flu and pneumonia. The saints prayed for me and I was healed instantly, after I had been sick four months. Pray for me. Your sister.—Omelia Farman.

ARE YOU IN TOUCH

Pauline Jackson

Is your heart in touch with Heav'n So that you can hear the groan Of the multitude low bending Unto gods of wood and stone?

Can you take the place of Moses? When upon the desert road He could hear his brothers singing Under Egypt's heavy load.

Can you hear the mournful wailing That from India's people rise As they call upon their idols Which are demons in disguise?

Can you see the teeming millions Who in far off China live? Do you know that they are dying For the help that you can give?

It is useless to speak further, Surely you can see the need; Surely you can sense their anguish As for Gospel light they plead.

Friends, we must not longer linger For the stream of death flows fast; We must hasten with the message Ere the time for work is past.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

What Hast Thou In Thine Hand?

J. B. Ellis

"And the Lord said unto him, What is that in thine hand? And he said, A rod. And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it. And the Lord said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his hand, and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand: And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do signs." — Ex. 4:2,3,4,17

In presenting this subject to you, I wish to use this text in an accommodative sense and illustrate the use and abuse of personal responsibility. Moses had just received a marvelous manifestation of power in the burning bush, followed by a definite call to the stupendous task of wresting from the hand of Pharaoh. Moses remonstrated, offering two excuses: First, the unbelief of the people, and second, his lack of eloquence. Each of these excuses were plausible. There is nothing more discouraging to discharging Christian duties, especially the ministry, than the readiness of the people to whom they are sent, to disbelieve the message. Add to this the consciousness of not being able to present the message in an impressive way. This seemed to be more than Moses could undertake. O! he said, they will not believe me, and then I am slow of speech. Well that was not a bad condition after all, for a man to feel his ability too much leaves but little room for God to manifest His power. Neither of these excuses were in the way, from God's viewpoint. Well Moses, I know the people are full of unbelief and also I know about your difficulty in speaking, but what hast thou in thy hand? Just and old rod. Of what use can that be? Cast it to the ground then; throw it away. He threw it down and it became a serpent and Moses was filled with fear and ran from it. God commanded Moses to take it up again. He did so and it became a rod again. Now take this rod and with it do signs. I can't work with your plans. I know about your speech, I'll take care of that. There is Aaron your brother, take him with you to speak to the people. I am not depending on him, I'll work with the rod and with it meet the unbelief of the people. He obeyed and led the people out. He met unbelief; he met opposition, but it all melted away before the consecrated rod.

Now the lesson I want to bring before you dear readers, is this: Each of you has a rod, a talent, a capacity for doing something. God is wanting it. He can use it, if you will consecrate it to Him. If you neglect to do so throw it down, it will become a serpent which will follow you wherever you go; it will bite your conscience the longest day you live, and then when you stand at the judgment you will meet the awful consequence of the man who buried his talent in the earth. Oh! don't do that, but take it

LIVING IN THE FAITH

HOUSTON, Texas. (Feb. 25) — I want to write a little note to the paper. I am still living in the faith, am going to church every Sunday, and I truly thank the Lord for the paper. I get many blessings from reading it. I have moved to this place, am now living within one block of the Church of God. I praise Him for health and am still trusting Him for healing. I do thank Him for all His blessings.—Mrs. Josie Willis, 6841 Ave. R.

HE WILL HEAL US IF WE OBEY

PARIS, Texas.—I feel it my duty to give God praise because He has done so much for me. He healed me of the flu. When we do what we promise the Lord, He will heal us. We feel good in our souls and encouraged to press on. I praise Him for blessings unto me and my family thru past life and for His keeping power.—Mrs. A. C. Corstorphine

JESUS, A VERY DEAR FRIEND

DUNLAP, Tenn. (Jan. 19, 1929)—I was down with flu for nearly two weeks. I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify of His mighty power to heal, and I want to keep my promise to Him, who has been such a dear friend to me. I trusted in Him alone to heal me, for I did not take any remedy whatever. I had an awful cough, but it all went when Jesus touched my body. Pray for me.—Mrs. D. B. Hatfield.

Salvation Thru The Blood Of Jesus

OLUSTEE, Fla. (Jan. 19, 1929)—I want to praise the Lord for salvation thru the blood of Jesus. All my family had the flu and I promised the Lord if He would heal us I would testify of His healing power. We were healed and did not use any medicine either. I find in Him all I need. Pray for me.—Lillie Croft.

21 Saved In Revival In Knoxville, Tenn.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (May 7)—We have just closed a great revival here, Brother J. L. Goins did the preaching, and his two sons, Willie and Harrison, made music. The Lord blessed from the very first service. Great crowds packed the building and many could not get inside. Brother Goins seemed to be at his best and gave out some soul stirring messages. Twenty-one were saved, ten sanctified, four received the Holy Ghost and nineteen came into the Church, and many others are looking this way.

The Church was greatly blessed and built up by the meeting. We may not have the best church in the state but we hope to have "as good" within a short time. We are doing our best for that.—W. D. Childers, pastor.

THE RANSOM OF OUR REDEEMPT'N

Who Gave Himself a Ransom for Many

John C. Jernigan

Text.—1 Tim. 2:6.

The ransom referred to in the text is Christ, He is our Lord, Savior and King, yet the ransom of our redemption. When I was a child I heard the people singing about the ransom of the Lord returning back to earth again. I did not know just what was meant by the ransom, but in later years I have better understood. Ransom means "to redeem from captivity by paying a price," or in other words, the ransom is the price that is paid. When a child is kidnapped by some wicked person and carried away into some secret place of captivity, the parents or some interested person is notified that the child will be delivered from its captivity for a certain amount of money. The amount of money is the price of the child's freedom, or the ransom of its redemption. We have been kidnapped by Satan, he appeared in the Garden of Eden in a cunning, deceitful manner, and thru his subtlety and soft swelling words overpersuaded the first couple and drug them off into sin's captivity, and ever since, the world has been living in the wilderness of sin, bound with the bonds of iniquity, exiled from home on the isles of sorrow with a blighted hope of ever again reaching the home of the Eden experience. The Lord looked down upon the creation of His own hand in their pitiful, lost, wretched and undone condition and gave them the law on Sinai for the redemption of their souls, but alas, it was impossible for the blood of goats and bulls to take away sin, and Paul said in Romans 8:3, "For what the law could not do in that it was weak, God sent His own son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin condemned sin in the flesh." The law was too weak; the price of the blood of animals was not sufficient, therefore a greater and more perfect sacrifice became necessary, but the question might have arisen with God, "What shall the sacrifice or ransom be?" It is only natural with the human race to get by as cheap as they can, and the same rule in this case might apply to Heaven and God. They had first tried the blood of animals, but it did not succeed, and now the time had come that the price must be paid. But what will it be? In the whole world, with its great wealth of silver and gold, houses and lands, rubies and diamonds, there was nothing found that would pay the price. Among the innumerable angels host there was nothing found worthy. In the whole Heaven with its streets of pure gold like unto transparent glass, the walls were of jasper, decorated with very great and most precious stones, and its twelve great gates which swung wide on every side were twelve solid pearls, yet there was not sufficient wealth in the construction of Heaven to pay the price. There was but one jewel found that was valuable enough to pay for the redemption of the souls of men, and that was He who sits at His Father's side, clothed with great honor and glory, whom God loved and the angels worshipped and adored, but God submitted to this tremendous sacrifice of His own, and gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have eternal life. And the Son who seemed to have been present at the time God said, "Let us make man in our own image," volunteered and stepped down from His highly exalted throne of heaven, and laid aside His robe and bright crown of honor and bade farewell to Father, to angels, to home and pleasure and came down into this sinful world of sorrow and disappointment and took upon Himself the form of man and bore the scorns and reproach of a sinful and perverse generation of ungodly and unholly people. Peter said, "We were not redeemed with corruptible things, such as silver and gold, but with the precious blood of Jesus." To this we all agreed; silver and gold would not pay the price, even Christ leaving home would not pay it. The sacrifice that Heaven made in giving Him up would not pay it. Walking over the hills of Judea and plains of Galilee preaching and pleading with lost men and women to repent and turn to God did not pay for the soul's redemption. There was but one thing to do and that was for the faithful Son of God to suffer a shameful death at the hands of a wicked and unmerciful people, which He did to pay the

God Is Blessing Green Leaf Church

ALACHUA, Fla. — I want to praise the dear Lord for His goodness to me. I thank Him for saving my soul, sanctifying and giving me the good Holy Ghost. I also praise Him for the little church at Green Leaf which He has blessed so much in the past year. Last year God sent Brother Newman for our pastor, and how He blessed him with the work here. It would take up too much time to tell all of it. He was good to us, again this year and sent Brother and Sister Newman to be our pastor again. They are doing a good work here. I surely praise Him for the way He blessed Sunday and Sunday night. It was wonderful. Many souls were edified and the Holy Ghost worked. I thank Him for His wonderful love to us. I want to say this much to Alabama, if you have any more preachers like Brother and Sister W. M. Newman, and don't need them, just send them to Florida, because it seems as though the devil is loose here. I desire your prayers. — A brother in Christ, M. D. Lewis.

The Holy Ghost Came

COLUMBUS, Ga.—The Lord is still blessing in Columbus, Ga. We have just closed a week's meeting, with thirteen saved, fourteen sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost, eighteen added to the church and fourteen followed the Lord in water baptism. We tried to get our state evangelist and he couldn't come, we also tried to get the state overseer and he couldn't come, so we sent a petition to Heaven and the Holy Ghost came. Please pray for us.—The pastor, W. L. Lunsford.

JUST YOU

J. J. York, Fox, Va.
It isn't the preacher's flowery prayers,
Or the way the choir sings,
Or the size of the coin your neighbor gives,
Or the help your brother brings;
It isn't the size of your favorite church,
Or the cost of your favorite pew,
Or the style of clothes the members wear;
It isn't the church, its you.

It isn't the way the work is done,
Or the way the money is spent,
Or whether the gospel's all brought out
Or whether there's some that's sent;
It isn't the kind of creed they love
Or the peculiar things they do,
Or whether the doctrine suits your taste;
It isn't the church, it's you.
For a chain is as strong as the weakest link
And it breaks with a heavy load,
But a church that is full of links that pull
Can level the roughest road;
If you get in tune with your Master's will
With your heart and labors too,
You will love your church tho it has its faults;
For it isn't the church, its you.

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EDITORIALS

We are now in the midst of a revival here in Cleveland, Tennessee. The Lord is working and some are getting thru. Brother J. L. Goins of Christopher, Illinois is in charge and is doing the preaching.

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Remember the Church of God Evangel is offered in lots of three or more at \$1.00 each per year. Come on workers and continue to send in subscriptions.

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The Minutes for the 23d Annual Assembly are all gone. We are very sorry that we did not make enough, but we have sold more this year than we did last.

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While times are hard and there seems to be a general depression over the country, the Lord is blessing His people and the indications are that this will be one of the best years in the history of the Church.

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We wish to thank our many friends for their hearty cooperation and kind expressions from time to time. This makes us feel good and we know that the Lord will bless you. We feel very close to you and want you to know that your interest is ours. We are doing our best and believe that you are too, and we feel sure that the Lord will give the increase.

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vices of the day.

"Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit." It means much to be fervent in spirit. It means to be hot, glowing, warm in feeling, and zealous. I see no way for anyone to be "fervent" in spirit and not have fire enough about him to cause him to move around and get to the services on time; who does not pay his tithes promptly and will not support the Sunday Schools with his means, talent and presence. Another thing, we should respond, gladly, when a shower has been given for a worthy pastor who is only getting a scanty support. O, surely we need to be "fervent in spirit; serving the Lord." If we are "fervent" we will find more to do than we can get done, as "the fields are white to harvest but the laborers are few." Then, we can surely spend more time in praying the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers. If we are slothful in our Christian duties we are sure to get in the way of others. "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in His law doth he meditate day

THE RANSOM OF OUR REDEMPTION

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redemptive price, and sealed the covenant with His own life's blood. Now my dear sinner friend, stop and think of your sinful condition—bound with the bonds of iniquity, on your way to final and everlasting destruction, after Christ has paid the tremendous price for our deliverance! The price is not to pay. He has already paid it all, all to Him we owe, and He now stands with out-stretched arms of love, calling, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." What could you imagine our heavenly Father thinks of you? He is going to the great expense and put up the ransom, and instead of you returning home, you have gone in the opposite direction, diving every day deeper into sin, racing down the road of destruction at a break-neck speed, counting the blood of the covenant wherewith we are sanctified an unholy thing, and doing despite to the Spirit of grace. Now bring the question home to yourself: If your child was kidnapped you would freely give all you had for its freedom. To a great extent, this is just what God has done for us—when we were yet in bondage to Satan, He gave His own dear Son that we might be released and escape the destruction of the soul.

A few years ago a story came out in an American newspaper, title, Just The Story of A Mother. It told of an old lady (Mrs. Anderson), a widow, who lived in Sioux City, Iowa. During the World War her son had broken some laws of war and was cast into the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan. Despite the fact that her son was very sinful, she retained in her heart that mother's love for him, and set out on that long trip to Washington, D. C. walking, to plead with the president for her son's freedom. The president saw her earnestness and assured her that her son would be released. She walked back home and waited, but to her sad surprise her son did not return, so she decided to go back to Washington and see what the trouble was. On her arrival in Washington she learned that he had been released, but on leaving the prison was arrested on another charge, tried and put back in. This time the president assured her that her boy shall never be arrested again on any war-time act. She walks back home and patiently waited again for the son whom she loved, but again he fails to appear. This time the heart-broken mother walked to Leavenworth to see if she could find the cause of her son not returning home. When she got to Leavenworth she found that he had been released but no one knew where he was. Now another problem faced her—her son was free, but he did not love the mother who had sacrificed and suffered for him, but still she retained that mother's love and anxious desire to once again embrace her son, so she did not give up but continued to seek him. Some detectives offered their service and the young man was finally located in Wisconsin. She started on another journey, without money, to once more see her son before her gray hairs are brought down to the grave. She found him married, settled down and doing well. This wonderful story of a mother's love reminds me of the infinite love and sacrifice of Christ for the disobedient. When we were yet sinners, Christ-haters, unthankful and unholy, Christ sacrificed a home of wealth and pleasure, and walked over the obstacles and hard places of life and suffered a very tortured death that we might be released from the bonds and imprisonment of Satan. The ransom price is already paid, the plan of our redemption is made complete thru the shedding of His own blood, but instead of many returning to Him and enjoying the benefits of the priceless sacrifice, they have hugged sin closer to their bosom, and drifted further and further away from God.

GOD HAS BLESSED OUR HOME

DETROIT, Mich. (Feb. 12)—I want to testify thru the Evangel and praise the Lord for what He has done in my home ever since He has saved me. He has healed my son and me of minor afflictions, and I am sure He would heal us just the same, no matter how bad. I surely praise and thank Him and want all the saints to pray for me, that I may receive the precious Holy Ghost, for I surely am praying, hoping, and believing that I will receive Him, praise His precious name! I surely like to read the Word of God, and I have a desire to learn more about it. The Lord has done so much for me and my home.—Ed Hoback, 27 Winder St.

and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, *** and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." I am sure this blessed man is not slothful in business, but that he is fervent in spirit; serving the Lord.

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NOTICES & SPECIALS

WANTED:—Would like to know the whereabouts of Bun E. Hicks and where he gets his mail.—A. P. Gay, Covington, La.

The Thomaston District meeting will convene at Thomaston, Ga. 4th Saturday and Sunday in May—25-26. Come over and be with us and enjoy the good feast. We are expecting ministers and workers from different churches, so you are welcome. Brother J. W. Culpepper will be in charge of the meeting. We will take the Lord's Supper Sunday morning and in the afternoon we will have baptizing. We have old time meetings over here, come and see for yourself. We are looking for you.—Clyde C. Cox, pastor.

On account of sickness in my family I was compelled to cancel all my dates, but now I can get out again, so if you want me to run a meeting or help, write me and let us get lined up for the remainder of the Assembly year. Write at once.—S. J. Mullins, Straight Creek, Ky.

The Hazlehurst camp meeting will begin June 22d at Hazlehurst, Ga. at the new tabernacle. Brother Chambers, our State Evangelist, will be in charge. Come, one and all.—J. W. Buchanan, Ambrose, Ga.

This is to notify the public that I am ready for evangelistic work, my address is (Miss) Alma Farmer, 122 Berth St., Pulaski, Va.

There will be a Sunday School convention at New Home Church of God six miles north of Whigham, Ga. the 4th of July. All Sunday Schools are invited to come and be with us, with some good programs. Come, let us enjoy the Fourth together. We are expecting it to be a great day for the Lord.

We are arranging for a camp meeting to be held at the new tabernacle known as Shiloh Church of God, seven miles north of Thomasville, Ga. on the Dixie Highway, beginning July 7th, and will run as long as the Lord directs. Let us pray much for this meeting, and for the saving of souls. Everybody has a special invitation to attend the services. Bring your camping outfit. We are expecting some good preachers and singers from other sections, so let us all try to be there and work together for the saving of souls. Brother J. W. Culpepper, our State Overseer will charge. For further information, write W. J. Jackson, Ochlocknee, Ga. or L. H. Griffis, Pelham, Ga.

We need some good Church of God workers very bad at this place. Pray that God may send some good workers to Morgantown, W. Va.—Fannie Hippis.

We are going to start a revival at Dixiana, Ala. (better known as Bradford, Ala.) on the 26th of May, D. V. We will have all day meeting and dinner on the ground on the 26th, that being Sunday, and the meeting will start that night. We are expecting the Lord to bless in a wonderful way. We invite everybody that can to come and be with us, we will appreciate all the help we can get in the revival. We want all the folks at the nearby places to help us all they can, we are counting on Trafford, Kimberly, Coaldale, Pratt City, Summitt, Dora and Empire. Brother W. W. Harmon will do the preaching, and we are looking for a great time in the Lord. Pray for the meeting, that it will be a great success.—W. T. Nelson, pastor, Empire, Ala.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE South Plains District Convention will convene at the Church of God, which is ten miles south of Brownfield, Tex. June 7, 8, 9. We are expecting a great refreshing from the presence of the Lord. We expect several ministers and visitors to attend this feast. There will be plenty of dinner on the ground the last day of the convention. Come on, come on enjoy this feast. Our State Overseer will be in charge of the

God Will Hear Our Prayers

LAUREL, Miss. (Feb. 6, 1929)—I want to thank the Lord this morning for what He is to me. He is so real to my soul. He blesses us in so many ways. It means much to live a life so that when we call upon God He will hear, but if we do not live close to Him, then when we call on Him He will not hear, so we had better live for Him.

Yesterday my baby was sick, I laid the Evangel on him in Jesus' name and this morning the child is better, so I thank the Lord for it. I surely do enjoy reading the little Evangel. It comes every week, and I hardly ever stop till I read it thru. It surely is food to my soul. It seems so much like being in service. We do not get to be in service much here, we have moved to a new place, so I ask all the saints everywhere to pray for us, that we may hold Jesus up because there

services. If you cannot come, don't fail to pray for this convention. Everybody will be cared for that will come.—M. E. Drake, District pastor, Box 62, Brownfield, Tex.

Have you read the book of D. E. Boatwright's on "The Second Coming of our Lord"? It is not the Book of books, but it is one book among many, filled with truth. It is a book that came out of much study, and many years of preaching upon this wonderful subject, the one subject that is the goal of all Christian faith—The Second Coming of our Lord. It deals with the eleventh hour, with the antichrist, the Jews returning to Palestine, Signor Mussolini, the awful trend of the world and its downward drift, the chaos of this world that is soon to come, and the two aspects of the coming of our Lord (1) as a thief, to steal His wife, His Bride, His body, from this wicked world and that His bride should know. (2) That He would come at the Revelation, when every eye should see Him.

We advise every soul to send for one or more; give them to your friends; send your orders to the Church of God Publishing House, or to D. E. Boatwright, 1740 Capital Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.

If any Church of God in the United States or Canada wishes to secure Brother Boatwright for a series of meetings on this line, he will gladly respond, if his time is not taken up.

This is to notify you that the District meeting for the Philadelphia District will be held at Pleasant Hill, near Carthage, Miss., beginning Thursday night before the first Sunday in June. We cordially invite you to come and come praying for us to have a real feast from the Lord. E. B. Culpepper, State Overseer in charge.—G. N. May, District pastor.

DO YOUR PART IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

To the Church of God Sunday Schools of North Carolina: At the 23d Annual Assembly of the Churches of God, the Sunday School Committee recommended that district superintendents be appointed to whom a tithe of the Sunday School offerings should be sent as a collection for the purpose of helping weak schools and opening new ones. This recommendation was accepted and became an act of the assembly that every school should recognize by tithe their offerings each month and sending one tenth to the superintendent of their district. We have been appointed superintendent for the state of North Carolina and a small per cent of the schools have been sending in their quota, but we would like to hear from all of the schools in the state. Upon the request of our state overseer, we are giving this notice and will hope to hear from each school from now till the next Assembly. We will give a report at the state assembly which will convene at Belmont, July 11-14, so come on schools and let us have a good report. We would be glad to devote more time to the Sunday School work, but having the care of a church that requires all of our time we cannot visit the schools, but will be glad to communicate with any and all of the superintendents in the state who may feel the need of help in promoting their schools. Yours for service.—J. P. Hughes, 163 East 15th St., Charlotte, N. C. — P. S. Please send Postoffice money orders when sending tithes, if is convenient to do so.

REQUEST

I am writing for special prayer throughout the United States for the recovery of W. H. Banks' mind. He has been in the State Hospital over two years. His wife is a member of the Church and in good standing, her address is Greenville, N. C., Box 78, and this is her request that he be healed and restored back to her.—J. W. Wilson, 1019 Desmond St., Kingston, N. C.

LARGE CROWDS ATTENDED

BEAVER DAM, Ky. (Apr. 16)—I want to report a couple of meetings recently held in Tennessee; one at Moore's Switch, near Doyle, and the other at Sparta, in the mountains. The crowds were large at both places, many people were greatly impressed in these meetings. The writer was aided by W. Francis a young convert, who did well in exhorting, testimony, prayer and song. I expect to devote more time to evangelistic work, and shall be glad to hear from those places where a revival is wanted.—Rev. W. E. Halle, 1002 N. Main St., Beaver Dam, Ky.

are souls who need to be saved before it is too late.—Mrs. Virgie Robinson.

WE SHALL BE TRIED

SYLVATUS, Va. (April 1)—I have a great desire in my soul this morning to press on. I feel like I want to do more for the dear Lord than ever before. I want to prove to the world that I am living for the One who died and shed His precious blood for us, the One I love above all. About five years ago I saw the light on this good old Highway of Holiness, or the way to get to Heaven. I am glad I can say, with a clear heart, today I feel the fire burning in my soul. The way gets dark sometimes but we can take our troubles to our blessed Lord and He will help us thru.

We are having a wonderful revival at our church at Allison Chapel and the Lord is working with the dear people. Four have been saved and many more at the altar. The meeting has been going on for a week and will run this week if the Lord will help, and He never fails. I am so glad I ever found my dear Father and I can trust and never doubt.

I want every child of God to pray for the young boys and girls who have been going to the altar at this place. The devil is roaring but the Lord is keeping ahead. I have one sister in the Church of God with me, and four brothers out in sin. They fight this way but I am praying that the Lord will break their stubborn hearts, that they may accept their Lord while He may be found. I am glad I have my eyes on things above, have turned my back on the things of the world, and have the blessed Holy Ghost. I have a heart full of love for God's children. I am not one bit tired of this way. I just want to press on and be in the will of the Lord. I don't want to do anything contrary to God for I want to make Heaven my home. I have a father and mother who have gone on to be with Jesus. I have three little boys also who have gone on. I want to meet them up there. It means much to live a Christian life and be where you can trust the Lord for your healing. About four months ago the enemy made me think I would die if I didn't go to the hospital and be operated on, because I didn't have the faith. I went on, the people didn't think I would ever come back alive. I was in a bad condition but God tells us He can heal all manner of diseases. I was obeying my husband in having the doctor but I was calling on my God who had the power to do all things. Now I am at home doing all of my work. I am giving God the praises for it all. I want every child of God to pray to that I may be found doing God's will and that I may have the faith to trust Him for my healing to the end.—Sister Betty Henley.

Thank God For This Great Salvation

The Crockett District Convention was held at Albright Chapel three miles west of Crockett, Tex., April 20-21. I am very sorry to say that due to some misunderstanding on the exact date for the convention to begin (Friday night, the 19th) the saints failed to assemble themselves. Anyway we thank the Lord for the wonderful message brought forth by the Holy Ghost thru Brother E. W. Williams, our State Overseer, Saturday night, the 20th. His subject was "Repentance." I am sure it was enjoyed by those who had truly repented and was plain enough for those who had not repented to repent or perish.

On Sunday morning the people met again at 10:00 o'clock. We sang and prayed, then we were ready to hear Brother Williams preach again. This time he preached on "Show the House unto the House," the ordinances of God and also His law. The things which belong to the House were brought out in this wonderful sermon.

I believe many were made to see and feel their need in being more careful about our Father's business, and bringing the things which belong to the House into the House. Glory to God! I'm sure our pure minds were stirred mine was. On Sunday night he (Brother Williams) preached about the evils of today, the signs and soon coming of Jesus. I believe most everyone was made to see by the Word of God and the Spirit working thru this man of God, that the time is short and Jesus shall soon appear in mid-air to catch away those who are obeying God by measuring to the "pattern." We all enjoyed him being here, and especially in our home. I also thank God for the other precious children from the other churches. God bless them all! We also hope Brother Williams can be with us again before the year is out. Well praise God, I have a greater determination to serve Him. I thank Him for His Son, Jesus. Glory to God for the common and great salvation. I'm glad for the dear old Church of God. By God's help I mean to be a loyal member. Pray for the work and workers here.—Your sister in Christ, Eudora Ball, Crockett, Texas.

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Have Ye Received The Holy Ghost

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—I want to testify thru the Evangel for what the Lord has done for me. The Lord has saved me and given me that determination to stand on His blessed Word. I settled it down in my soul that what the Word says was yea and amen. So going here and there, hungering and thirsting after more of God, I was led by God to a camp meeting at Mt. Carmel, Ind., where the four-fold gospel was preached. As Paul said, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? I knew I believed the Lord with all my heart, but as for receiving the Holy Ghost, I was not sure about that. I was like those folks Paul was preaching to—they didn't know whether there were any Holy Ghost. So being instructed in the way more perfectly I saw I needed the baptism that Jesus would baptize with. I love Him more and more, so I started to seek the Lord with my whole heart, and last Christmas a year ago, He baptized me with the Holy Ghost and I spoke with tongues, like all Church of God people who get it. I would like to tell all, but cannot, for space and time and tongue could not tell all the glory that came to the human heart any way.

We are having a great time at the Church of God at Hamilton, Brother G. B. Edwards is our pastor. The Lord is blessing so much, and bringing the people out to hear the Word of God, that God will have to provide a larger place for us. Tonight there was hardly sufficient room for those seeking the Lord. I want the saints everywhere to pray for me that I may be of some use for Him and to pray for my wife that she may receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.—Luther B. Bennett.

I Want To Be Among That Number

BHESSTON, Ga.—I want to praise the Lord for salvation this a. m. I ask all who pray to pray for me. I am proud I ever got acquainted with my Saviour. I find Him true to His promises at all times. I praise Him for healing my body of chills and fever, I hadn't taken a dose of medicine and I felt the chill coming on me, but I went to God right then. I was all alone and I asked the Lord to heal my body. I surely get a blessing from reading the Evangel, and feel like I got good from the prayers of the saints. That was when I lived at Carbur, and was going to prayer meeting three times a week. We have some good people at Carbur. I am now at Bhesston, Georgia, no one near to call for prayer. There are some good hearted people here, but no one saved, and I feel that I am all alone, in one sense of the word. I am praying for the Lord to send a good Church of God preacher here. I want to see people in Bhesston get in this wonderful way. It is wonderful to know our Saviour. Sometimes everything looks dark, but the Holy Ghost teaches me that there is nothing to look back to. My whole desire is to live for Him. It is wonderful what He will do if we obey Him. I want to be among that number that will be in the first resurrection, with my lamp trimmed and burning, and my vessel full of oil. We know it takes prayer to be overcomers.—Georgia Burns.

God's Power and Blessings Are Falling

ABILENE, Tex.—We have been thinking for some time we would write a few words telling what God is doing in the city of Abilene. First of all we are praising God for the wonderful service we had last Sunday night, April 28th. The power began to fall in the song service and on throughout the entire service with much shouting, and dancing. Some of the saints got under an awful burden for lost souls and wept and groaned in the Spirit. We didn't get to have any preaching service. The Holy Ghost took complete charge and gave the message. Souls began to fall in the altar and five were blessed of the Lord. Some were reclaimed and some saved. One sister prayed thru and got saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Many were under conviction, asking for prayer that the chains of the enemy may be broken and the load of sin lifted. The revival spirit is already in our midst. God is already working. We are to start a few weeks revival May the 12th, with our district overseer, Brother George Asher, and wife in charge. Remember to pray for us that there may be a great harvest.

God has undertaken for us in many ways from time to time although the battle has been hard against the enemy of the land, but we praise God for a bunch of saints who are not faint hearted but stand, holding on to God in faith, in every conflict. Especially do we praise Him for our never tiring pastor, Brother J. T. Campbell, and wife. He certainly is a man of God and shuns not to declare the full Gospel. Large crowds attended the services. They come rushing in when the power fails and ask, "What meaneth this? These people act like drunken men." But Oh! we just stand as did Peter on the day of Pentecost and tell them, "These are not drunk-

THE GOSPEL OFFERS SALVATION TO THE VILEST

"I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth." Rom. 1:16.

These words were uttered by the great Apostle to the Gentiles, who before his conversion, was a bitter enemy and persecutor of the Christian church, or Church of God. On the day of his conversion he had letters from the high priest at Jerusalem authorizing him to go to Damascus to the synagogues and arrest men and women who had accepted Christ as the Messiah and to cast them in prison, even consenting to their death. But as he journeyed to Damascus, he heard the voice of the Master, saying, "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?" Saul answered, "Who art thou, Lord?" The Master replied, "I am Jesus whom thou persecutest." Paul, no longer Saul, instantly became a disciple. Trembling and astonished, he said, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

This great enemy of Christ, unconditionally surrendered to God and became the greatest preacher of all times. Let this sink deep in our hearts, that the Gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation—the only power that saves. In announcing the birth of Christ to the shepherds, the angels of the Lord said, "Behold, I bring you glad tidings of great joy which shall be to all people, for unto you is born this day in the City of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." And suddenly there was with them a multitude of heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."

What a marvelous message is the Gospel! It is good news, and glad tidings, offering to a sin-cursed world universal peace and universal love. It becomes more wonderful when we consider that God takes the initiative in our salvation. He does not wait for us to come to Him. He first comes to us; He seeks us thru every invitation and promise in the Holy Scriptures.

To the man who brought sin into the world with all its woes, the promise was made that the seed of the woman should bruise the serpent's head. In countless passages in the Bible, a Saviour is promised. All may be saved. Christ is the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world. This Divine Light speaks thru our mind and conscience and points to the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world. The Father and the Son appeal to us thru the Holy Ghost who reproves the world of sin and of unrighteousness, and of judgment. He covers our sins and shows us our hopeless condition and begs us to come to Him. As we listen to Him, godly sorrow fills our hearts and works repentance unto salvation not to be repented of.

The Master says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come unto him and sup with him and he with me." God is the author and finisher of our faith, and as the Holy Ghost speaks to a sinner a spark of faith is kindled. Faith cometh by having heard the Word of God. Without faith it is impossible to please God, for He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him. We must first believe that He is, before we repent. As a godly sorrow moves us to repentance our faith enlarges. We receive Christ as our Saviour, making an unconditional surrender to Him. We find that faith precedes, accompanies and follows repentance, and is our shield throughout the Christian race.

Genuine repentance always brings remission of sins, and in the same moment we are born again. Christ came to His own and His own received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe in His name, which were born not of blood nor the will of the flesh nor the will of man, but of God.

The Son of God gave to Nicodemus the most wonderful Gospel message ever delivered, when He said, "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on him should not perish but have everlasting life." He gave us a peace that the world cannot give and the world cannot take it away.

To the most abandoned and vile sinners the Gospel offers God's richest spiritual blessings. God says to them, "Let the wicked forsake his ways and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and let him return unto the Lord and he will have mercy on him and to our God for he will abundantly pardon. Though your sins be as scarlet they shall be as white as snow, and though they be red like crimson they

en as you suppose, but this is that which was spoken of by the prophet Joel." Acts 2: 15,16. Come on, saints join us in much praying during this revival for this is a place that is filled with much ills and cisms. Pray that the Church of God here will rise and shine in a mighty way, that great things may be done in the name of the Holy Child Jesus.—Yours in the battle for Jesus, Mrs. R. P. Smith, clerk, Clyde, Texas, Box 196.

We Are Now Living In The Last Days

As I was looking through a mechanical magazine yesterday afternoon I noticed an article that caused me to think of the soon coming of our Lord.

It was about "Electrifying the Holy Land."

There are, at this time, 400 workmen engaged at clearing the sites and making preparations to place dams across the Jordan River to operate three plants that will be in operation by the last of 1929 or some time early in 1930.

A part of the article reads as follows: "For the first time, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Bethany, Nazareth, and scores of other places famed in sacred history, will be lighted by electricity.

Although Jerusalem is one of the oldest cities in the world and Hebron dates back long before the days of Abraham, they have not even gas for lighting their streets and dwellings. It is startling to know that the Via Dolorosa, along which Christ passed on His way to Calvary, will be illuminated by modern electric standards operated by the waters of the Jordan in which He was baptized; thus is the Holy Land, so long neglected, being modernized along western lines."

Christ's prophecy in the second verse of the twenty-fourth chapter of St. Matthew was fulfilled in the year A. D. 70, at the destruction of Jerusalem. The Jews from that date have been scattered about upon the face of the earth without any place to call home.

Finally in the year of A. D. 1290, the Jews were expelled from England upon the tenth day of October.

After the recent war when England got possession of the Holy Land, they allowed the Jews to return back to their own country. This clearly shows us that the Lord is getting ready to come back after those that are watching and ready for His coming.

It is necessary that there should be Jews in the Holy Land so that they can fill their places in the prophecy as given in the book of Revelation. I was reading of the signs that appeared in the Heavens and in many different ways in and around Jerusalem, and likewise we are seeing different signs every day that are pointing to the soon coming of our Lord.

Reading over in the book of Daniel, we find this: "Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." We see 2 Tim. 3:1-5 every day, and in every place that we may go. All of these inventions that we have now that were not even thought of twenty-five and thirty years ago, such as, Automobiles, Aeroplanes, Radio, and numerous other things, this is the increase of knowledge that Daniel spoke of, and when has there ever been a time that the people have run to and fro as they are doing now?

I believe that Jesus is coming back after His own, as the world is getting so much more wicked every day that He will not suffer the people to remain here much longer. The Word says, "Be ye also ready for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." Again it says, "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life."

Luther Brooks, Route 1, Ocala, Fla.

THE WAY GROWS BRIGHTER

SELMA, N. C. (Feb. 26) — I am praising the Lord for being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I am a member of the great Church of God, which I love with all my heart and it seems the way grows brighter each day. I ask the saints to pray for me to stay true until Jesus comes or calls, also pray for my unsaved loved ones, that they may be saved before it is too late. Pray for the Church of God here, that it may be a soul saving station. — Mrs. Alice Fowler.

Only Look to Jesus

FT. LAUDERDALE, Fla.—I praise God this beautiful morning for being saved, sanctified and the Holy Ghost still abides, bless His name! Trials seem mighty hard sometimes but we can look up to Jesus, because He has said He would never leave nor forsake us, bless His good name! I want all who read this to please pray for me, also my loved ones that are out in sin.—Daisy Williams.

shall be as wool:

Through the Gospel we receive a peace that passeth all understanding, a love that passeth knowledge and a joy unspeakable and full of glory. We are delivered from powers of darkness and translated into the kingdom of God's dear Son, a spiritual kingdom consisting not of forms and ceremonies, nor meat and drink, but righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. And as we walk in the light as God is the light we have fellowship one with another and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin.

Are Christians exempt from all sorrow, temptations and afflictions? No, but the Holy Ghost comforts them, the Father sustains them and we are more than conquerors thru Him who loves us and gave His life for us. The unsaved ones also have sorrows, afflictions and temptations but not having God they have no help, no one to sustain them or deliver them. In the midst of suffering the Christian can give glory to God. He can say, "I am persuaded that neither life, nor death, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

"For I am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day," so I go on my way rejoicing.

I'll trust where I cannot trace, His presence is ever with me, Though clouds may hide His face Some day the veil will be lifted, Some day faith will be sight By His grace in thru those pearly mansions I shall walk with Him in white."—Mattie Broome, Young people's meeting, Atlanta, Ga.

Accepted Light Instead Of Darkness

SHOOTING CREEK, N. C. (Feb. 5)

—This is the first piece I have ever written to the Evangel. I like the paper, I am sure it would be good for all to read, but some like darkness rather than light because their deeds are evil. I belong to the Baptist church, but I believe in holiness, and have found this to be the Church of God. There are many churches and many other gods, but I believe this is the one Lord and one Church. There are people today that are worshipping things of this world more than they do their Creator, but 'never mind' they'll be brought low by and by. I believe the flu epidemic has been one calamity, and if we don't humble ourselves, a worse thing will happen. We must love the Lord above everything. He that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, saith the Lord. And He that loveth the things of this world is an enemy to God, so we must strive after Spiritual things, for He that soweth his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption, but he that soweth to the Spirit, shall reap life everlasting.

Husband has just come from Lubbock and he reports that they are on the move there as we have a man there who has his whole heart in the work. Both he and his wife are good workers and we thank God for them.

We know they are surely working for the cause of God and we Brownfield saints love them. They come down here often and it builds us up to work together for souls. Pray lots for their success at Lubbock as they are working for a place to worship and I know God can and will move if we move first. I know there has been some moving going on. The church here is making preparation for our district convention which will be in May. We give a welcome to all the saints everywhere to attend. Load up and come on. You saints that have not been out here, make us a visit now. We are looking for the Lord to come down here in power, so come out and meet Him here with us. You will find a welcome on the plains from the house of God.

I went to the Ranger convention and we had a wonderful time. The Lord blessed us there. That seems like home. God has some true blue saints of God in that district. We surely did enjoy our trip and want them to come to our convention. I came home on Monday, and Tuesday, March 5th, was husband's birthday, and that evening the saints and friends began to gather at our home. They gave him a birthday shower. He received lots of gifts including a box from Ranger, also a nice pounding from the church here. Doesn't it make us feel good to know the church loves us for our service! We had a good meeting also, and God blessed the givers, I am sure. Some who were not in the church gave, but they love the Church of God. I will say to other churches, don't forget your pastor. If you do, God might forget you. Let them know you love them and I am sure they will do more for you. We have a new floor in the church which we thank the Lord for, also all those who gave. I am sure what we give to this cause will be like bread cast upon the water—it will return to you again, so pray for us in our work that whatsoever we do may be done to the glory of God for we are not working for our welfare, but another, the cause of Christ, the Church of God, His body.—Humbly thy sister in Christ, Mrs. M. E. Drake.

Whole Church Seems To Be Humbled

BLACKSBURG, S. C.—I want to praise the Lord for what He is doing for the Church of God at this place. I don't believe I ever saw as much unity as there is now in the church here. It seems that the whole church has just humbled itself before the Lord and the power of God falls in a wonderful way in almost every service. Brother L. G. Rouse passed this way a few nights ago and was with us in one service. The Lord surely did bless. About twenty-seven sick and afflicted went for Brother Rouse to pray for them and were healed by the power of God. The people here never saw the Lord heal on this wise before. Surely the Lord has His hand on Brother Rouse. We hope to have him with us again. We can see and feel the results of this service yet. People with afflicted eyes were healed and laid their glasses aside.—J. R. Mullinax, clerk, Box 292.

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AN APPEAL FOR HELP

To the evangelists of the state of Texas, or to anyone who is looking for a place to hold a revival.

First, I will give a brief history of the church at McCamey, Texas. This church was set in order about two years ago with only five members. Three of the members left soon afterward, leaving wife and me alone to battle the enemy. Occasionally some saint would come in for a few days at a time, which was a great help to us. So after laboring for several months, the devil tried many ways to overpower us. He set many traps for us, got on top of us, under us, all around us and everywhere, except in us, but by the grace of God we were able to keep the victory. Sometimes the house would be crowded and the altar full, but no one could pray thru to victory. Finally we lost hope and gave up in despair. The devil set a trap and we walked right in. The spirit spoke and said for us to get up and move. I thought it was the voice of God, not being able to discern the spirits. We loaded up, but no sooner had we gotten on the road until I saw I was out of God's will.

We wandered around over a great part of the country, including Oklahoma, trying to please God, but somehow I could not get the blessings from God that I once had. A brother asked me one day why I didn't shout every time I testified, like I used to—a question that might offend some, but it put me to praying harder. I knew God wasn't blessing me, so a few days later, out in the cotton patch, I pulled off my cotton sack with a determination to know my standing with God, as the Scripture saith, Search yourselves (not the other fellow) to see whether ye be in the faith, so it was there I rang the bell cords of Heaven, reached the throne of Grace and the same God that told me to go to McCamey the first time, told me to go right back to the same place. No longer had I told God I would go than He began to bless my soul, and Oh! if I only had time to stop and shout a little now, but I must hurry on. I went home, almost dreading to tell my wife that I was going to have to go back to McCamey. No longer had I told her than she said she had wished a hundred times that we were back there.

It was then I realized how the devil had trapped me. I went and told my district overseer that I felt led to go to McCamey. He said that 'just suited him and for me to load up and go. Oh! how God has blessed us. But dear saints, if there ever was a place that needed a revival McCamey needs one. Anyone that has power with God and favor with man with a burden on your heart for lost souls, and is not afraid to stir the devil and will preach the Word just as it is, if you are looking for a place to hold a revival, will you please consider McCamey? I realize that one of the greatest handicaps in putting a revival over now is finance, but God has wonderfully blessed this place. We have a nice large building, well ventilated, electric lights, and all paid for, so why spend your time laboring under a financial strain with no place to preach and the burden of building a church house when the doors will be thrown open to you here and you can preach till God says it is enough. This is an oil town, there is lots of money here, but say, the devil has charge of most of it and hates to turn it loose for the cause of Christ, but so far God has never failed to get hold of the hearts of even sinners and supply our needs. Should this appeal for help reach the heart of someone, don't delay, but write at once, or if you have faith, just load up your jitney, head it toward McCamey and I assure you you will find us waiting, for I am determined that by the grace of God, all the devils out of hell will not catch me in that same trap again.

Dear brother and saints, if you are not receiving the blessings from God that you once received, I am persuaded to believe that it is your own fault and not the fault of someone else, as some would try to make it appear. Get in God's will, examine yourself, get the beam out of your own eye, live the life, preach the Word, stand by the doctrine, defend the cause and pray for God to send a revival at McCamey. —Humbly thy servant, O. K. Fewell, McCamey, Texas.

A Little Talk With Jesus Makes Things Right

WAYCROSS, Ga.—I want to thank and praise God for the way He has been blessing me. I just came into the Church of God at Waycross about two weeks ago. A revival has been in session for three weeks and is still running. We have received many blessings, and have a real good pastor, Brother J. B. Weeks. He will be with us the rest of this year.

I thank God for the wonderful power, and I am praising Him for saving, and sanctifying me in my young days. I am only seventeen years old. I feel like God wants us to give our time to Him while we are young, to be used in His work. Several have been saved and sanctified here since the revival started. I desire all your prayers for my loved ones. Pray for my husband that he may be saved, he is still out in sin, pray also that I may receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Aline Emma Turner.

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HE HAS BEEN GOOD TO US

HEADRICK, Okla. (Feb. 8)—I feel impressed to write to the Evangel this afternoon and pay my vow to the Lord. He has been so good to me. Something broke out on my face and I promised Him if He would heal me I would testify of it thru the little paper that I love so well. It is real food to my soul! I praise the dear Lord for being saved and sanctified, and I am seeking for the Holy Ghost. Please pray for my unsaved sisters and brothers. I ask all who read this to pray for me, that I may be found doing His will when He comes or calls. —Paye Leamaster.

Cottage Prayer Meetings Needed

WALHALLA, S. C.—I am seventy-nine years old and am sick. I would be glad to have the saints at Cleveland to pray for me. I am sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and belong to the Church of God. I have no way to get to the church as it is seven miles from here. I have not seen any of my church sisters or brothers in two years. They never come to see me. I think some of them could come, and would, if they knew my circumstances. I would be so glad to be able to go to church and be with the saints of God. There are no holiness people near me. Please pray for me. The Holy Ghost still abides but pray that I may get well and able to go to preaching.

I would be glad to have some holiness lady to come and make her home with me and help in cottage prayer meetings around here. It is badly needed.—Mrs. L. M. Crenshaw, Rt. 3.

We Have to Give Up Everything to go with Him

ROCHESTER, Tex. (Feb. 12)—If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9. Praise God for His cleansing power and His forgiving power. "He that covereth his sin shall not prosper, but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." Prov. 28:13. I praise God for the great power to make people clean up. "I acknowledged my sin unto thee and mine iniquity have I not hid." I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah." Psa. 32: 5. We surely do have to give up everything to go this good way. Again, I read in the Word where it says, Consecrate your faults one to another and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5: 16. I praise God for His healing power, and that we have to confess our faults one to another. Glory to God! I thank the Lord for making His people walk upright. "Let your conversation be without covetousness, and be content with such things as ye have: For he hath said, I will never leave nor forsake thee. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I shall not fear what man shall do unto me." Heb. 13: 5,6. All that man can do unto us is not as much as God has power to do for He has power to destroy both soul and body in hell. Pray for me.—C. Cantrell.

Found The Blessed Way

ARDMORE, Okla.—Dear saints of God. I want to thank and praise my blessed Saviour thru the Evangel for what He is to me this beautiful evening. I promised God if He would heal me I would testify of it. I could not use my hand for nearly a week (caused by an ant sting) but I kept trusting Him, and one morning He healed me. That has been several months ago. I am so glad I ever learned to trust Him. I don't know what I would do without Jesus. I thank Him because He lifted me up out of sin, sanctified and baptized me with the precious Holy Ghost, and the Comforter still abides. I want to keep my light so shining that the world can know that I want to live a life for my Saviour, and in my weak and unlearned way tell others about Jesus and His power to keep thru every storm. I thank the Lord for leading me in the blessed way and I do want to do my best to hold Him up to a world of sin and darkness. I realize, as never before what it will mean to live for Jesus. The old devil says you cannot live above sin, but my Christ said we could and I know we can if we will let Jesus lead us. I do want to know more about Jesus and His love. I need the prayers of all the saints, that I might ever stay humble at the foot of the cross. Please pray for my unsaved family, that God will save them before it is too late.—Mrs. Emma Turner.

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OBITUARIES

BLACKWOOD

Little Dorris, the oldest child of Brother Grady and Sister Manella Blackwood, departed this life April 17, 1929, being seven years and three days old. Dorris was bright and apt in her studies in school. She had a very friendly disposition and was loved by all who knew her. She began to complain about a week before she died. No one thought her sickness was of a serious nature until she was dead. The physician did all in his power to save her but all of no avail. It seemed that God's time had come for her to go. She leaves a father, mother, two little brothers, grandparents and a host of friends and schoolmates who brought her flowers as a token of love. She sang "Brighten the corner where you are" and she did brighten the corner wherever she went. The funeral service was held by Brother Clark and her remains were laid to rest in the Mt. Salem cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

Little Dorris, we shall miss your loving voice.

But you have been called by the Lord's own choice;

You have gone from us to the place of rest.

And have become one of the Lord's own guest.

While you suffered much agony and pain

And at last said, Good-bye,

But we shall see you again.

While papa's and mama's hearts are broken

They have one in Heaven who is there a token.

Saying, You must before Him stand,

Live true that you may be at His right hand. — Grandpa, W. D. Huddleston.

HUFF

Mrs. May Bell Huff departed this life to be with Jesus. Our dear sister was born Aug. 2, 1897 and was thirty-one years, eight months and fourteen days of age. She was married to Bro. Huff Sept. 26, 1915 and to this union were born five girls and one boy. She leaves a husband, six children, a mother, father, two brothers, one sister and a host of other relatives and friends. We weep not as those who have no hope for we know she will be there to welcome us to that great beyond. We loved her but God loved her best. She was sick just about four weeks. The saints prayed for her, and she would talk of that beautiful home just before she fell asleep. She suffered much but her suffering is over.

Sleep on, dear sister, and take you rest

We loved you dearly, but Jesus loved you best.

Sleep on, dear sister, we will meet you some day

Where there will be no sad farewells.

But we will be happy for-ever-more.—

One who loved her, a sister in Christ, Mrs. Minnie Pearson, Rochester, Tex.

HARNAGE

On Oct. 25, 1928 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister J. W. Harnage and claimed for its victim their little Elmer, the bud of the home. He was born July 6, 1928 being three months and nineteen days old when the Saviour took him away to be with Him. We know God does all things well and we know if we live true we will meet little Elmer again in Heaven. His little body was laid to rest in the Avon Park cemetery to await the coming of our Saviour. Brother Leon Thomas conducted the funeral service. He leaves to mourn his death a father, mother, two brothers, one sister and many relatives and friends. —A friend, Jonah Perry, Greenville, N. C.

Oh, we all must follow, We must go the narrow way, For no sinner can enter Heaven, In that land of perfect day.

HIXON

On the morning of April 15, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Bro. and Sister E. U. Hixon of Morristown, Tenn. and claimed for its victim their little son, A. J. Hixon, age two years, seven months and twenty-one days. Little A. J., altho very small, was a shining member of our Sunday School and was loved by all who knew him. We weep not as those who have no hope. Our loss is Heaven's gain.

He leaves to mourn his departure a father, mother, one sister, and a host of relatives and friends. Brother G. B. Sprinkle conducted the funeral service at the Church of God at Morristown. He was laid to rest in the Jarnagin cemetery to await the coming of the Lord.

LEE

On the morning of April 15, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Lee and claimed for its victim Jessie Mae Lee. She was born Jan. 12, 1912. She suffered with T. B. for about fourteen months but bore her suffering with patience. She was a member of the Presbyterian church for eight years and lived up to the teachings, but in her last days the Lord gave her more light and on Thursday evening before she died Saturday morning she called her mother to her bed and said, He has come. Her mother asked her who had come. She said, Jesus, and they have covered me with flowers. Thursday night she turned herself in bed, clapped her hands and called for Sister Stoneham to pray for her. She told her she was saved and sanctified, and some believe she received the Holy Ghost. She shouted and praised the Lord the best she could and said she was ready to go. She prayed for the Lord's will to be done and called for her parents. She asked them if they were willing for her to go, and asked them to get saved and sanctified. Dear ones, Weep not as those who have no hope, but prepare to meet Jessie Mae in Heaven where sad partings come no more. She leaves a father, mother, three sisters, two brothers, one brother-in-law and one grandmother, also a host of other relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by her pastor, W. S. Hardon, and her body laid to rest in the Kinston cemetery.

—A friend, Jonah Perry, Greenville, N. C.

ROLEN

On April 20, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Lee and claimed for its victim Jessie Mae Lee. She was born Jan. 12, 1912. She suffered with T. B. for about fourteen months but bore her suffering with patience. She was a member of the Presbyterian church for eight years and lived up to the teachings, but in her last days the Lord gave her more light and on Thursday evening before she died Saturday morning she called her mother to her bed and said, He has come. Her mother asked her who had come. She said, Jesus, and they have covered me with flowers. Thursday night she turned herself in bed, clapped her hands and called for Sister Stoneham to pray for her. She told her she was saved and sanctified, and some believe she received the Holy Ghost. She shouted and praised the Lord the best she could and said she was ready to go. She prayed for the Lord's will to be done and called for her parents. She asked them if they were willing for her to go, and asked them to get saved and sanctified. Dear ones, Weep not as those who have no hope, but prepare to meet Jessie Mae in Heaven where sad partings come no more. She leaves a father, mother, three sisters, two brothers, one brother-in-law and one grandmother, also a host of other relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by her pastor, W. S. Hardon, and her body laid to rest in the Kinston cemetery.

—A friend, Jonah Perry, Greenville, N. C.

ROLEN

On April 20, 1929 in the afternoon at 6:20 o'clock the death angel visited our home and claimed for its victim our loving husband and father, J. N. Rolen. He was sixty-eight years, six months and nine days old. He was in bed only four days at the time of his death. He had been in bad health a number of years. He feared not death and bore his suffering with patience and a quiet spirit, for he was reclaimed in a revival Christmas and knew it was well with his soul. He told his wife and children not to grieve, he was going to rest. We loved him and hated to see him depart but God had let him suffer enough and loved him more. The only thing for us to do, if we expect to be with him in Heaven, is to live so our life will please God. He is survived by his wife, six children and fourteen grandchildren. All were present at the time of his death. We thank the many friends for their kind, helping hand, and the singers for their songs of sympathy and kind words in this sad hour. Especially do we thank the two brethren for their loving words in conducting the funeral. May every word find a place in the minds and hearts of every one present.

It seems that God picks for the flowers of our homes, but it's for the good of our souls, to make us work harder to be with them again. He is missed so much in the home, in church and at his place of business. He has lived in Fannin and Hunt County near Ladonia, Tex. for about

HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON

ROCHESTER, Tex. (Feb. 12)—Just a few lines to the dear little Evangel. I am thanking the Lord for His saving power, and for His son whom He gave to save the lost world from sin. I love the Lord and His good Church. He has saved, sanctified and given me the great Holy Ghost. We find in Acts 16:31, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved and thy house." I am glad of the dear old Church of God, and mean, by His helping hand, to go all the way with Him. Please pray for us, that we may ever stand true to the Lord.—Mrs. Ada Cantrell.

FULLY RESIGNED TO GOD'S WILL

CASSENDRA, Ga.—He will never forsake us. It is wonderful what God can do. He saved me, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost, also healed me. I am in the great Church of God, and ask the prayers of all that I will stand true. I'm away from my home church, and I want all to pray that God will fix a way for me to get back. If it were only close enough that I could go once in a while I would be satisfied. Pray for my unsaved husband, that he may be saved before it is too late. I feel like traveling on till Jesus comes or calls. I love the Church people, and my desire is to live for God. I know God can fix the way, but if it is His will for me to be here I want to be satisfied and stay. There are no Church of God people here, but I want to do God's will. From some cause I have lost four of my little ones, and I know they are at rest. I cannot call them back, but I can go to them if I live true to God. Your sister in Christ. —M. Weathers.

JOY, PEACE AND GLADNESS

WAYCROSS, Ga.—I want everybody to know that I love Jesus, for He has been so good to me. My memory runs back just now to the time when Brother John Stephens was preaching the old time gospel, and the Lord was blessing. I sought the Lord, and the third time I went to the altar the Lord spoke peace to my soul, sanctified me and gave me peace, joy and gladness. That all happened February 21st, 1925.

That night I had a real vision, of Jesus, walking around me, as I laughed and rejoiced in His love. Two weeks later He baptized me with the Holy Ghost and later added me to the Church of God. I have a desire to get closer to the Lord and know more about Him. Please pray for my family, that we may be as one in Jesus.—Mrs. Ida Brady.

forty-five years. He has a host of friends here.

I have fought the battle wisely, My trials here are o'er; I have said farewell to troubles And gone to the other shore.

So dear children, remember father, And don't forget his prayers And when we are gathered together yonder

Then you can be with me there.—His daughter, Mrs. Lena Huddleston, Paris, Texas.

People Interested In New Field

NAUGATUCK, W. Va. (April 20)—I wish to report a wonderful victory just gained over the enemy thru the power of God. We rented a building in the town of Noland, W. Va. and on Wednesday night, March 20th, we opened fire on the devil. Brother Pearly Stepp and the writer did the preaching. Things looked pretty dark for several nights, but at last we broke thru the enemy's strong hold and men and women began coming to the altar crying out to God for the blessings. Of course that made the enemy mad, and he surely did roar, but God gave the victory right on. They published tracts against us and scattered them all over town, but the people came right on.

Why? For the same reason they went out on the banks of the river Jordan where John was preaching—because the power of God was being manifested. The blind girl of Webb, W. Va., who composes songs, rendered some good music, which we appreciated very much. Also Brother Philips and wife of Pinson Fork, Ky. and